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McFadden Sentenced to 60 Years for Rape
Solved With the Help of DNA

Rochester, NY- Today, Ronell McFadden, 35, was sentenced to 60 years in state prison by Monroe County Court Judge James Piampiano for the 2006 home invasion and rape of a woman in the City of Rochester. McFadden, however, was not the first person accused of this crime. Originally, in 2006, a different man was arrested for this rape based upon what ultimately proved to be a mistaken identification. In 2012, only months after Sandra Doorley took over as Monroe County District Attorney, Major Felony Prosecutor Alyssa Truelove and District Attorney Investigator C.J. Dominic secured the cooperation of the victim of the 2006 rape and together completed the investigation which led to Ronell McFadden being charged and ultimately convicted of this horrendous crime.

This case began in 2006 when a Rochester woman was raped by a man who threatened her and her baby at knife point. A mistaken identification led to the arrest of an innocent man. Months later DNA technology exonerated that man, and gave law enforcement a new lead. But that DNA was only one piece of a much larger puzzle. Through the hard work of ADA Truelove and Investigator Dominic the Monroe County District Attorney's Office was able to complete that puzzle and bring McFadden to justice.

Upon taking office District Attorney Doorley created the Special Victims Trial Division which includes a bureau devoted to working with adult victims of sexual assaults. This bureau and all Assistant District Attorneys work with victims to obtain justice, while ensuring only the guilty are convicted. Today's sentence of Ronell McFadden to 60 years in prison should assure this community that the Monroe County District Attorney's Office works tirelessly to bring justice to the victims of crime and to obtain convictions of the people who commit those crimes.

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